



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE  
Karen Ross, Secretary



## **California Department of Food and Agriculture Internship Program**

*In cooperation with the Western United States Agricultural Trade Association (WUSATA)*

Agriculture is a major industry for the Golden State. With 77,100 farms and ranches, California agriculture is a \$50 billion industry that generates at least \$100 billion in related economic activity. The California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) mission is, "to serve the citizens of California by promoting and protecting a safe, healthy food supply, and enhancing local and global agricultural trade, through efficient management, innovation, and sound science, with a commitment to environmental stewardship."

CDFA is the lead agency for international policies and programs related to California agriculture. CDFA coordinates with other state agencies; California's agricultural marketing programs (agricultural marketing orders and commissions); Visit California; the California Centers for International Trade Development (California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office); and other stakeholders to provide programs and services to California businesses.

CDFA is a founding member of the Western United States Agricultural Trade Association (WUSATA) a non-profit state regional trade group that promotes U.S. food and agricultural exports. The association receives federal funding and works in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Services to support state sponsored trade activities and administer market development programs for private companies.

If you wish to apply for an internship focusing on international marketing, please fill out an application and email it to Mr. Josh Eddy at [josh.eddy@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:josh.eddy@cdfa.ca.gov)

Applications are accepted year-round, but a current application deadline for the Fall/Winter session (Beginning Oct/Nov 2018) is **October 4, 2018**. Interviews will take place in October and the internship will start in mid-October. Interns will be paid \$15.00 per hour, up to 40 hours per week – total compensation cannot exceed \$12,000 in the calendar year.

Thank you for your interest. Should you have questions, please call (916) 654-0433



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### WUSATA Internship Internship Application

Full Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Current/Past College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Major and/or Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Good Academic Standing: **Yes** or **No**

Number of hours available to dedicate to this internship: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please complete the following:

1. Please fill out the Standard State Application Form 678 and submit a copy with your application. The application can be found at: <https://jobs.ca.gov/pdf/std678.pdf>
2. Please include a resume with your application.
3. In a cover letter, please describe how receiving this internship would help you obtain your educational and professional goals.

#### Signature

I certify that the above information and the all other materials contained in this application, is accurate to the best of my ability.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## **2018/2019 International Trade Internship Overview**

This internship is in cooperation with the Western United States Agriculture Trade Association (WUSATA). This association is a non-profit trade organization that promotes the export of food and agricultural products from the Western region of the United States. WUSATA, in conjunction with its 13 member states, provides a wide range of services to help increase exports of Western U.S. high-value and value-added food and agricultural products.

### **Responsibilities will include:**

Coordination of international marketing activities; financial reporting/compliance assistance; database management; newsletter information; company recruitment; export consultations; trade seminars and events.

The selected individual will work under the supervision of the State Marketing Official, in the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

**Internship location:** California Department of Food and Agriculture  
1220 'N' Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Phone: (916) 654-0462

### **Qualifications:**

A successfully candidate will be highly motivated, have strong communication skills, be interested in international trade and be able to work independently. Knowledge of agricultural production/manufacturing or the agricultural industry in general is desired but not required.

Individuals must be an enrolled student and a U.S. citizen or have a visa that permits the individual to work within the United States.